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1 the proposed settlement or to properly and fully express their
2 concerns; and

3 WHEREAS, the San Juan river adjudication court will define
4 the final nature and extent of the Navajo Nation's water rights
5 and non-Indian stakeholders will be directly affected by the
6 court's decision; and

7 WHEREAS, Navajo Nation water users have expressed concerns
8 about the proposed settlement and would like to obtain
9 additional information about how the settlement will affect
10 their use of water; and

11 WHEREAS, the proposed settlement will require the support
12 of the New Mexico congressional delegation, congressional
13 approval and significant federal funds; and

14 WHEREAS, it is vital that the majority of stakeholders and
15 citizens in the San Juan river basin understand, support and
16 benefit from the proposed settlement between the state of New
17 Mexico and the Navajo Nation; and

18 WHEREAS, the magnitude of the amounts of water in the
19 proposed settlement and other diversions within the San Juan
20 river basin require the state engineer to develop a detailed
21 management plan for all waters in the San Juan river system;

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
23 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state engineer be requested to
24 investigate, analyze and take public testimony on how the
25 proposed settlement with the Navajo Nation will affect all

1 stakeholders in the San Juan basin; and

2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state engineer and the
3 interstate stream commission develop a comprehensive water
4 management plan to ensure equitable distribution of all Indian
5 and non-Indian waters within the San Juan basin; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state engineer and the
7 interstate stream commission report progress and status to the
8 appropriate interim committee by November 30, 2004; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
10 transmitted to the state engineer, the interstate stream
11 commission and members of the New Mexico congressional
12 delegation.